

PAGE 1: Welcome to City of Jacksonville Survey

Q1: What is your name?	Michelle Tappouni
Q2: What is your party affiliation?	REP

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Q3: Do you own a bike for personal use?	No
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Q4: If yes, what do you use the bike for?	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
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Q5: Do you view bicycle-pedestrian safety in Jacksonville as an issue that needs additional proactive attention?	Yes
Q6: If no, why not?	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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Q7: Do you support continuation of Mobility Fees at existing levels to fund bicycle-pedestrian projects?	Yes
Q8: If no, how would you replace those funds?	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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Q9: Do you support increased funding for bicycle-pedestrian projects beyond current Mobility Fees and recently passed 20-year gas tax extension? No

Q10: If no, why not?

We are fortunate to have several funding sources for bicycle and pedestrian projects. I am open to discussion of additional funding for specific projects after review of budget, resources and other commitments.

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Q11: Do you support the marking of roads with sharrow symbol and/or signs stating "Bicycles May Take Full Lane" on narrow streets (less than 14' width) where there are no bike lanes? Yes

Q12: If no, why not?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q13: In addition to the proposed Fuller-Warren Bridge multi-use path, how would you improve bicycle access across the other St. Johns River bridges?

I support the Fuller-Warren project, great example of the City working with FDOT and the community to impact design. We will need to continue that process with all stakeholders to identify other ways for bicyclists to have access to both sides of the river and connect to the current infrastructure including the use of JTA routes and the Skyway.

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Q14: Do you support increased funding for the Hogan's Creek Greenway to connect the S-Line to the River Walk? Yes

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Q15: Do you support funding a new multi-use path or greenway to connect Downtown to the East Coast Greenway and St. Johns River Ferry? Yes

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Q16: How would you improve bicycle connectivity from Downtown to the Beaches?

I understand there have been meetings with the beach community and city council members to discuss this issue. Any strategy must include connection of current bicycle infrastructure. I have not seen a proposed plan but look forward to participating in the discussion.

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Q17: How would you improve bicycle access and safety in Downtown?

As the Chair of the Jax2025 Bicycle/Pedestrian Task Force I was involved in several meetings and discussions related to Downtown safety and access. The plans to address the most dangerous areas including the area around Rosa Parks Transit Station, State, Union and Main Streets are a priority for me. I live in Springfield and the challenges of bicycle safety in our Downtown must be resolved. There are several solutions including signal timing changes, enforcement and protected bike lanes which can be implemented working with COJ's Denise Chaplick, BPAC, FDOT and other stakeholders.

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Q18: Many low-income residents bike out of necessity, commuting to work, to buy groceries, etc. Some may violate traffic laws such as cycling against traffic or failing to use lights at night. How would you improve safety of cycling among this group of riders?

Education and outreach is the key to this issue. In partnership with JSO we can provide information when a violation is observed, reach out to community groups, employers, social service agencies and schools. Continued public service campaigns can reinforce these efforts.

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Q19: In the district you are seeking to represent, how would you propose to improve bicycle safety and access?

I am running for City Council At-Large Group 5 which represents the entire county. I will be an active participant in issues related to bicycle safety and access. This is an opportunity to reach out to all Duval County including Baldwin and the Beaches, working with advocates to prioritize and implement projects, connectivity and outreach.

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Q20: Other comments?

Bicycle safety is a personal issue for me and my family. As the Chair of the JAX2025 Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force I learned so much from the representatives of the bicycle and pedestrian community. Our ranking as one of the most dangerous city's in the country is not acceptable. We must be committed to solving the issues that put bicyclists at risk every day. It would be my honor to be your City Council representative. Thank you for the opportunity to address your questions, I look forward to working with you!

Michelle